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Exchange

FOR AND ABOUT THE PEOPLE OF BRYANT COLLEGE

Bryant grads show true meaning of "Character of Success"



George and Barbara Brown accept a diploma for their son, Christopher Brown '01, a reservist who completed his MSIS requirements at Fort Drum, New York, while preparing to serve in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Bryant held its 140th Undergraduate Commencement on May 17 for 618 students, and the Graduate School awarded advanced degrees to 140 students the previous afternoon. Receiving a Bryant degree was a significant accomplishment for every student who walked across the stage. For some, though, reaching their educational goals showed extraordinary determination and strength of character.

Graduate School student **Christopher Brown '01**, earned a Master of Science in Information Systems, but it was his parents – George and Barbara Brown Jr., who accepted the diploma in his place. Christopher, an application programmer analyst at Providence Washington Insurance Company in East Providence and a member of the National Guard, had just one course left in his

program when he was called to active duty on February 12 – the last day of his enlistment. With the encouragement of Professor Laurie MacDonald, Christopher completed requirements at Fort Drum, New York, before he shipped overseas to take part in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Days after the ceremony, his parents received word that their son was able to view the ceremony via the unit's laptop computer thanks to the prompt assistance of Christine Dolan, family support coordinator for the 115th Military Police Company. "Our message about the Web cast reached the troops, and they were able to get Christopher to a computer to watch his parents receive his diploma," wrote Dolan. "Many of the soldiers (who could) watched it with him and were very grateful for having had the chance to be 'home' for that briefest of moments."

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Rick Desmarais celebrates with his family.

There were undergraduate students, as well, who showed their mettle as they pursued their Bryant diplomas. **Richard "Rick" Desmarais** of North Smith-

field, Rhode Island,

transferred to Bryant and tried out for the football team. At 23, he was older than every player on the team, but he made the cut. That very first season, Rick badly injured his knee. He had surgery and vowed to come back for the beginning of the 2001 season, but his knee became infected and required five major surgeries for what was supposed to be a routine repair. He lost 40 pounds and was told by doctors at UMass Medical Center that he would never be able to play football again – or even run. He worked through long, painful rehabilitations to prove them wrong.

Says Assistant Football Coach Jon Shelton, "Rick possesses a fight and desire that most of us have no idea about. The kind of effort it took for him to come back and play in 2002 and keep himself moving toward graduation, while paying his own way through college ... most of us would not have been able to do, nor would have even dreamed of trying. Not Rick – he is everything we want in our graduates and our young people."

Rick didn't take the easy way out of his academic program either. Never really good with math, he figured that he would challenge himself and study finance. He is currently pursuing his stockbroker's license in a program sponsored by Bryant and Fidelity. In April, Rick received the Bulldog Award for his contributions to

football. In addition to working in the field of finance, he hopes to coach football someday.

Olubunmi "Bunmi" Akinnusotu,

of Providence, graduated with dual concentrations in computer



Olubunmi "Bunmi" Akinnusotu of Providence and her best friend and roommate Lenola "Nola" Gillham of Parshall, Colorado

information systems and marketing, and a minor in sociology. Her legacy from Bryant includes numerous academic and leadership awards she received during her four years on campus. Captain of the volleyball team this year,

she was chosen New England-10 Conference Player of the Year. Her coaches and teammates consider her to be possibly the best player ever to spike a ball at Bryant. Not many people on campus knew that from 1983 to 1991, Bunmi, her brother, and their mother lived in at least four homeless shelters and moved 10 times prior to and after Bunmi's parents separated.

It seems fitting that this summer, through an organization called "Streets Ahead," Bunmi will travel to Zimbabwe, where she will help single mothers start businesses so that they can become self-supporting. (Bunmi's parents came to Providence, R.I., from Nigeria in 1978. They were from the Yoruba tribe, and Bunmi is able to understand and translate the language, although she cannot speak it fluently.)

She credits the faculty and staff at Bryant for making her college education possible, particularly Head Volleyball Coach Theresa Garlacy. But it is her mom, Phebean Akinnusotu, who is her hero, and their closeness was evident at graduation. Bunmi's 18-year-old brother, Timi, was there, resplendent in white "ethnic-wear," as Bunmi likes to call it. Their father, with whom she has had an uneasy relationship, came with his new wife and their three young sons. Surrounding them were relatives that Bunmi had not seen since childhood. They

traveled from all corners of the United States, as well as from England and Nigeria, to see her graduate. That day helped Bunmi to make peace with her past, and she looks ahead to the future knowing that she can do anything she sets her mind to.

Keith Anderson, of

Buxton, Maine, was a passenger in his friend's truck when a drunk driver hit them on June 6, 2002. The accident left Keith paralyzed from the chest down. After life-saving surgery, he spent four weeks in intensive care, much of that time in a drug-induced coma. In July,



Keith Anderson, of Buxton, Maine, collects his diploma with a little help from J.T. Naylor of Newark, New Jersey.

Keith was transported to a facility in Atlanta, Georgia, that specializes in physical and occupational therapy for people with spinal cord injuries. His parents stayed with him through the rehab process. Keith's determination and positive attitude earned him the nickname of "Superman," and, three months later, he had regained partial movement of his upper body.

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Bryant alumnus and his company give back to Bryant and the community

Some companies go to great lengths to hire good people. Bryant alumnus Alan Wardyga '77, '84 MBA, of Wealth Management Resources in North Smithfield, and his partner, Arthur Everly, pledged \$5,000 in scholarships over the next five years to support students in the Executive Development Center's Financial Planning Certificate Program at Bryant.

"We know that Bryant offers outstanding preparation for professionals who want to attain their Certified Financial Planner® (CFP) certification," said Everly. "As our company grows, we need to hire good people who can provide the best financial planning services to our clients. And we know right where to find them."

The Bryant College Certificate in Financial Planning is the only program in Rhode Island registered with the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc. Bryant's 18-month curriculum provides participants with a broad overview and detailed information that serves as the foundation for becoming a CFP™. Wardyga and Everly are both CFPs and instructors in the program.

"Professionals in the fields of financial planning, wealth management, investing, insurance, banking, accounting, and estate planning law are finding greater emphasis on attaining the CFP designation," said Wardyga. "This certification has long been recognized as the most rigorous standard of competence available and demonstrates a personal commitment to excellence."

Participants in the certificate program can apply for a \$500 scholarship if they have completed at least two of the eight courses required for the program and have demonstrated financial need. Recipients can receive more than one scholarship during their enrollment in the program.

To apply for the scholarship, participants submit a 500-word essay explaining why financial planning has become such an important issue in the 21st century and how licensed CFPs serve the public. The first scholarship will be awarded this month. The application deadline for the next scholarship is September 5. For information, contact Jennifer Chasse at Bryant at 232-6501.

Bryant hosts ThinkTank Conference



Bryant staff lead a session on the implementation, support, and administration of a laptop program.

Educators from around the world gathered at Bryant in June for the 6th Annual IBM ThinkTank Conference. The conference focused on laptop programs in higher education and K-12.

According to IBM, "This year's ThinkTank was a gathering place for discoveries and collaborative discussions

pertaining to best practices in the areas of teaching, technical support, instructional support, program administration, and more." Those who attended explored how well these programs have been implemented and how schools are capitalizing on their successes.

Most participants have or are beginning laptop programs in their schools, including Bryant College – which was the first college in Rhode Island to provide every entering freshman with an IBM Pentium 4 laptop. Students can register for classes, chat with teachers and classmates, and receive homework assignments. The recent addition of Bryant's \$27 million George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology transformed a traditional library into a state-of-the-art, multi-media information center for students with wireless LAN connectivity, a cyber-café, and a mock trading floor.

The annual conference was by invitation only. Approximately 150 people registered from the United States, as well as Canada, France, Dubai UAE, Bermuda, the United Kingdom, and Japan. Last year's ThinkTank conference was held at Université Laval, Canada.

GOOD SPORTS

Jon Wallace, Elizabeth Gunn named athletes of the year

Awards presented to 26 student-athletes at annual banquet

Senior basketball player Jon Wallace and junior field hockey player Elizabeth Gunn were named Bryant College's male and female athletes of the year at the college's annual awards banquet in May at the Bryant Athletics & Recreation Center.

The awards were the highest honors presented to Bryant student-athletes at the banquet, which recognized the more than 350 members of its 21 varsity athletic programs.

Wallace received the award as Male Athlete of the Year after leading the men's basketball team to its best record in seven years as the team went 17-14 overall and finished 12-10 in the Northeast-10 Conference, good for sixth place after the Bulldogs had been projected to finish 14th in the 15-team league. Wallace was the Bulldogs' leading scorer (13.9 points per game) and ranked among the team leaders in steals, assists, and rebounds. He earned second team All-Northeast-10 Conference recognition and was tapped as the New England Basketball Coaches Association Division II Unsung Hero.

Gunn, who becomes the first field hockey player to be named Female Athlete of the Year, was the leading scorer on the Bryant team, which tied for first place with Saint Michael's for the Northeast-10 Conference regular season championship and qualified for the NCAA Division II tournament for the first time in school history. She led all of Division II with 15 goals and became the first Bryant player to be named first team All-America in addition to her first-team All-Northeast-10 Conference accolades.

"In his first three years with our program, Jon Wallace had emerged as a solid player in the Northeast-10 Conference, but in this past season, the most successful season in seven years, he established himself as our franchise player," said President Ronald K. Machtley in presenting the award. "And when it came to crunch time, Elizabeth Gunn delivered time and time again by scoring game-winning goals in our biggest games of the year."

Other awards presented at the banquet included the Omar Shareef Spirit Award, given to senior volleyball



Elizabeth Gunn '04



Jon Wallace '03

standout Bunmi Akinnusotu. The William T. O'Hara Award, given for outstanding leadership qualities and integrity, was presented to men's tennis captain Antonio Valero, and volleyball standout Kerry Beach.

The Scholar-Athlete Award, presented to the top-graduating male and female student athletes, went to football player Scott Kennedy and field hockey player Jaime Bess.

The department also honored senior cross country and track and field standout Paula Klepadlo as the college's Distinguished Student-Athlete of the Year for the Rhode Island Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women. Klepadlo accepted that award at the annual RIAIAW awards dinner in May at Brown University.

In addition, the department of athletics presented the 12th Man Award, given to

non-athletics personnel, to mathematics professor Nancy Beausoleil, who has worked with Bryant's student-athletes in the college's mathematics lab.

Each varsity coach also presented the Bulldog Award to a member of each team in recognition of that individual's contribution to the team and to Bryant athletics. Senior track and field standout Melanie Butler and senior men's lacrosse player Kevin Barletta became the first student-athletes in Bryant's history to earn the Bulldog Award in each of their four years at the college.

GOOD SPORTS

2003 Bryant College Athletics Award winners

Male Athlete Of The Year

Jon Wallace Basketball Monroeville, Pa.

Female Athlete Of The Year

Elizabeth Gunn Field Hockey Vineyard Haven, Mass.

Scholar-Athlete Of The Year

Scott Kennedy Football Oak Ridge, N.J.
Jaime Bess Field Hockey Sandwich, Mass.

William T. O'Hara Award (leadership)

Antonio Valero Men's Tennis Santo Domingo, D.R.
Kerry Beach Volleyball Bourne, Mass.

Omar Shareef Spirit Award

Bunmi Akinnusotu Volleyball Woonsocket, R.I.

RIAAW Distinguished Student-Athlete

Paula Klepadlo Track and Field Smithfield, R.I.

Bulldog Awards

(contribution to team and to Bryant athletics)

Clint Stonacek	Men's Soccer	Omaha, Neb.
Kristen Harmon	Women's Soccer	Nashua, N.H.
Ashleigh McLean	Women's Tennis	Plymouth, Mass.
Erin Hoffman	Field Hockey	South Dennis, Mass.
Sarah Smith	Volleyball	State College, Pa.
Rick Desmarais	Football	North Smithfield, R.I.
Jim Choquette	Men's Basketball	North Branford, Conn.
Michelle Stevens	Women's Basketball	Miller Place, N.Y.
Erik Zipp	Men's Tennis	Darien, Wis.
Jason Clary	Men's Golf	North Easton, Mass.
Kathy Nassr	Women's Golf	Assonet, Mass.
Caleb Paul	Men's Cross Country	Addison, Maine
Paula Klepadlo	Women's Cross Country	Smithfield, R.I.
Nick Ward	Men's Track & Field	Melrose, Mass.
Melanie Butler	Women's Track & Field	Wappingers Falls, N.Y.
Kevin Barletta	Men's Lacrosse	Mahopac, N.Y.
Courtney Davis	Women's Lacrosse	Hallowell, Maine
Nicole Keene	Softball	Auburn, Maine
Daryle Crowley	Baseball	Danvers, Mass.

Bryant professor attends first gathering of state poets laureate



Tom Chandler, assistant professor of creative writing and Rhode Island Poet Laureate, was one of 20 of the nation's state poets laureate who traveled to New Hampshire recently for an historic gathering. The laureates enjoyed a full weekend of interconnected activities, including a statewide poetry reading

tour, a one-day conference, and a gala dinner with special guest poet and critic Dana Gioia, newly appointed chair of the National Endowment for the Arts.

"Poetry and Politics" also attracted prominent politicians, educators, theologians, civic leaders, and members of the media, who took part in a groundbreaking discussion of the role of poetry in our communities and its ability to affect social, political, and cultural change.

Chandler's poem, "Jerimoth Hill," was selected for inclusion in *Across State Lines*, the anthology of the American Poetry & Literacy Project that was released in April. Millions of these books are given to schools, libraries, hospitals, and other public venues to support the project's mission of making poetry accessible across America.

"It is a real honor to have my poem included, alongside work by Robert Frost, Wallace Stevens, Willa Cather, and Langston Hughes," says Chandler.

Bryant grads

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Keith returned to Bryant in January 2003 and plunged into his classes, totally determined to complete what he had started. With the aid of technology, classmates, friends, and especially his father, Ken, Keith was able to attend all of his classes and keep up with the required work.

Everyone easily accepted Keith's return because Keith made it easy for everyone, says Psychology Professor Ron Deluga. "Keith kept a sense of humor, and he wasn't shy about discussing his situation. He even joked that with his new wheels, he seemed to attract more girls.

"I think that Keith is an inspiration to all of us," says Deluga, "and that was made evident by the rousing ovation he received on Commencement day."

Keith received a B.S. degree with a concentration in finance and a minor in psychology. After some additional surgery and rehab this summer, he will return to Bryant in the fall to make up two courses before he begins his job search. He may not be able to leap tall buildings in a single bound, but Keith "Superman" Anderson truly has the stuff that superheroes are made of.

Governor Donald L. Carcieri, who was inaugurated as Rhode Island's 57th governor on January 7, 2003, was the keynote speaker at Undergraduate Commencement and received an honorary degree from the college. "This outstanding institution of higher learning has given you the knowledge you need to enjoy success," he said. "Now it's up to you to make good judgments and breathe life into the phrase, 'The Character of Success.'"

Also receiving honorary degrees were: **Charles W. Costello**, past president and CEO of c.w. Costello & Associates, a management information systems consulting firm he founded in 1986; and **Lulu C. Wang**, chief executive officer of Tupelo Capital Management L.L.C., a New York-based investment firm.

Paul J. Choquette, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Gilbane Building Company since 1997, gave the keynote speech at the Graduate School Commencement and received an honorary degree.



Brendan Shannon, director of marketing and promotions/athletics at Bryant, on his way to collect an MBA



Shanel Anthony, Class of 2002, adds a graduate degree to his resume.



Paul J. Choquette Jr. (right), chairman and CEO of Gilbane Building Co., and Jack Callahan '56, chair of Bryant's board of trustees



President Ronald K. Machtley



Honorary degree recipient Charles W. Costello is congratulated by Gov. Donald L. Carcieri.



Jacob Naylor and Dana Scott were commissioned as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army.



Can you hear me now? Jessica Raffone, of Killingworth, Connecticut, takes two congratulatory calls.



The 2003 class flag was designed by seniors from the Student Alumni Association and carried by (l-r) Rebecca Harris, David Dexter, and Brooke Schopp.



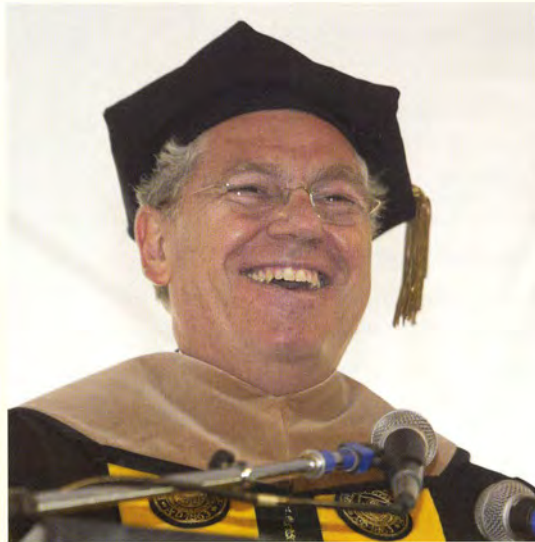
Sue Carcieri (left), wife of Governor Donald L. Carcieri, and Kati Machtley



Lulu C. Wang, chief executive officer of Tupelo Capital Management L.L.C., a New York-based investment firm



Charles and Gail Yanagawa traveled from Honolulu, Hawaii, for their daughter's graduation. Stacey Yanagawa will teach English in Japan starting in August.



Rhode Island Governor Donald L. Carcieri gives the undergraduate keynote address.

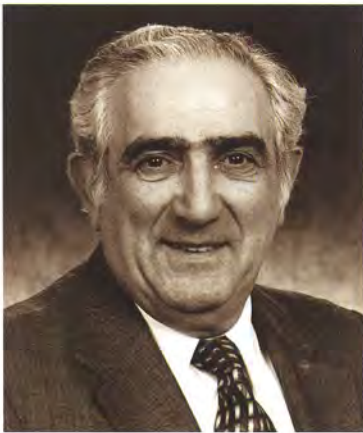
Professor Muksian featured on "NBC Nightly News"



Should you take your Social Security benefits at age 62 or wait until age 65? That was the question posed to Professor Robert Muksian by NBC news correspondent

Anne Thompson for a segment that aired on "NBC Nightly News with Tom Brokaw" on May 23, part of a special series titled "Financial Survival Guide."

NBC News Economics Editor Karen Nye contacted Muksian for the program because he is widely recognized for his work on the mathematics involved in choosing at what age to take Social Security benefits.



Service Awards

The following employees were omitted from a Service Awards listing that appeared in the May *Exchange*. Congratulations to the following faculty and staff, who were honored for five years of service to the college.

Claire Theroux

Jeana Welshman

Jennifer Tirrell

Sheryl Wilcox

Lisa Torgan

Hong Yang

Denise Viens

Scouts honor

President Ronald K. Machtley was one of two recipients honored by the Narragansett Council of the Boy Scouts of America at their annual Senator John H. Chafee Distinguished Citizens Award dinner. The event was held in June at the Rhode Island Convention Center in Providence.

Pictured are (l-r) Daniel L. Smith, vice president of Raytheon's Integrated Defense Systems Business; Rhode Island Governor Donald L. Carcieri; and President Ronald K. Machtley.



AROUND THE CORNER

Aug 11

Victory Day

Aug 30

Residence halls open for new students

Aug 30-
Sept 1

Bryant Experience

Aug 31

Residence halls open for returning students

Sept 1

Labor Day

Sept 2

Classes begin (day and evening)

Sept 2

**Convocation
7:30 p.m.**

Oct 4

Homecoming/Reunion 2003

Oct 5

**3rd Annual Shawn M. Nassaney Memorial
Cross Country Road Race/Walk**

Professor Harsh Luthar appeared on PBS's "Thirteenth State" on April 30. The program, which focused on ethics, was broadcast by the PBS affiliate in Providence (Channel 36). For a videotape, e-mail hluthar@bryant.edu.

Kati Machtley was interviewed by 93.3 radio personality Donna Mac for the weekly program "Vital Women," which honors Southern New England women who make a difference in their communities. The segment, which aired at 8 a.m. on Sunday, May 3, focused on the importance of lifelong learning.

Professor Elaine Notarantonio was interviewed by WJAR-TV 10 for a story on the success of the "Dollar Store" retailer chain. The segment aired on June 11.

Professor David Betsch was cited as a DNA expert in the *Miami Herald* and the *San Jose Mercury* (California) in April. The article focused on how DNA could help determine whether Saddam Hussein had been killed in a bombing.

Bryant grads receive prestigious SBA award

Troy Byrd '01 and David Meskhi '01, co-founders of the Global Entrepreneurship Program (GEP) at Bryant, were selected to receive the 2003 Rhode Island Research Advocate Award by the U.S. Small Business Administration in Providence. The two were honored with eight other award recipients at an SBA dinner in May.



David Meskhi '01 (left) and Troy Byrd '01

Byrd and Meskhi were selected from among nearly 100 other nominees. They were cited for the numerous hours of research they devoted to help establish the GEP, an on-campus organization that helps students develop entrepreneurial skills through a number of activities including boot camps, speaker forums, and business plan competitions.

Byrd currently serves as GEP manager. Meskhi, a GEP consultant, is an associate at KPMG in New York City.

Bryant holds XBRL Conference

The 3rd Annual eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL) Conference, "Trust, Business Reporting and Assurances: XBRL Solutions," was held at Bryant in April. Professor Saeed Roohani, head of the accounting department, chaired the event.

XBRL is an XML-based specification that provides a standards-based method to exchange financial statements in a technologically friendly manner, particularly over the Internet. Utilizing XBRL, business reports can be prepared more easily and published in a variety of formats so information can be extracted reliably and retrieved simply.

By 2004, all banks must file monthly reports with the FDIC in XBRL, and insurance companies will follow in 2005. The XBRL Educational Resource Center at Bryant, established in 2001, supports the development and implementation of XBRL initiatives by working in conjunction with XBRL.org. As part of this effort, Bryant has hosted the international XBRL Academic Competition since its inception to help generate taxonomies and XBRL applications.

For further information about XBRL educational programs and the resource center, visit <http://web.bryant.edu/~xbtrl/>

Correction:

In the May issue of Exchange, Barbara Gregory was cited as chair of the Women's Center Steering Committee. Professor Nanci Weinberger chaired the Women's Center Steering Committee; Gregory served as chair of the search committee for the Women's Center director.



World Trade Day

More than 400 people – the highest number ever – attended the 18th annual World Trade Day on May 30. Titled “Trade in the Americas,” the conference addressed issues and strategies for strengthening trade relationships with Canada, and Central and South America. Governor Donald L. Cacieri welcomed the attendees, who included business leaders, economists, government officials, and representatives from the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

GTECH received the U.S. Department of Commerce Export Achievement Certificate. Pictured above are (l-r): Senator Lincoln D. Chafee; Donald Sweitzer, senior vice president of Global Business Development and Public Affairs, GTECH, West Greenwich, R.I.; Daniel DeVito, regional director of the Western Hemisphere, U.S. Department of Commerce; and Keith Yatsuhashi, international trade specialist, U.S. Department of Commerce.

Summer guests for July/August

<i>July 1-2</i> Jostens Yearbook (250)	<i>July 19-23</i> Offense Defense Lacrosse (150)
<i>July 6-10</i> Huard Light Football Camp (400)	<i>July 19-August 2</i> EF Language Camp (390)
<i>July 7-9</i> Joe Krivak QB Camp (50)	<i>July 20-24</i> MADD (200)
<i>July 12-16</i> Melkite Youth (150)	<i>July 24-26</i> MA Centers Retreat (900)
<i>July 12-16</i> National Melkite Youth (75)	<i>August 3-9</i> Players Choice Lacrosse (100)
<i>July 12-19</i> Real Institute (30)	<i>August 6-10</i> Point Guard Basketball (100)
<i>July 13-17</i> Offense Defense Football (250)	<i>August 8-10</i> Big Picture, Inc. (175)

New home page for Academics

Bryant recently launched a new academics home page on the college's Web site. It highlights academic programs and academically related activities and events sponsored by Bryant. Additional information on academic resources, faculty development, and a calendar of academic events is also displayed.

“Related Links” is a new feature of the site. The page serves as a portal to the academic departments and committees, as well as faculty resources and initiatives.



The academics home page is located at <http://www.bryant.edu/academics.htm>

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Recognized for making a difference

Tim Watt '03, was named "Outstanding Student Leader of the Year," at a recognition banquet held on campus in May. Watt received a plaque and a Bryant College chair. He is pictured (seated) with his family and President Ronald K. Machtley (far right).



Other categories and winners are:

Black and Gold

Rich Hurley '04

Academic Club of the Year

Bryant Marketing Association

Advisor of the Year

Professor David Betsch

Fraternity of the Year

Delta Chi

Sorority of the Year

Phi Sigma Sigma

Community Service of the Year

(one-time venture)

Helping Hands

Community Service of the Year

(ongoing)

Student Programming Board

Campus Program of the Year

Extravaganza Night

Major Organization of the Year

Greek Life

Most Improved Organization of the Year

Bryant Jazz Ensemble

Sports Club of the Year

Rhythm & Pride Dance Team

Special Interest Club

Alliance For Women's Awareness

Penny Stone Emerging Leader Award

Matt Willis '06

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The following faculty awards were presented on May 1: **Professor Hakan Saraoglu**, Faculty Development Mentor of the Year; **Professor David**

Louton, Outstanding Service; **Professor Jongsung Kim**, Excellence in Research and Publication; and **Professor Chester Piascik**, Excellence in Teaching. Each received a plaque and a check. The title of Professor Emeritus was bestowed upon retirees **Nora Barry**, **Robert Conti**, and **Steven Soulos**.

Professor Julia Gladstone was selected to participate in the Faculty Summer Institute 2003: Teaching the Ethical, Legal and Social Implications of the Human Genome Project. It is funded by the National Institute of Health. A paper she co-wrote, "'No Electronic Theft Act' proves a partial success," was published in *The National Law Journal*.

Professor Judy Barrett Litoff and Brown University Professor David E. Cane recently held discussions and book signings at the Brown University Bookstore and Epoch Assisted Living Center in Providence for their new book, "Fighting Fascism in Europe: The World War II Letters of an American Veteran of the Spanish Civil War." In May, Litoff also presented "Letters from the Left," a paper about the book, at the annual meeting of the Society for Military History in Knoxville, Tennessee. "Fighting Fascism in Europe" is Litoff's 11th book.

Professors Michael Lynch and **Marcel Hebert** co-wrote two papers that were accepted for publication in *The Real Estate Finance Journal*, Summer 2003. They include "New Regulations Make Life Easier for Homeowners," and "Basis in S Corporations: Back-to-Back Loans Still Don't Work." In addition **Professors Lynch** and **David Beausejour** co-wrote "Lease-in/Lease-out Transactions are the Subject of Another IRS Ruling," which was accepted in *The Real Estate Law Journal*, Summer 2003.

Partners in education

Verizon recently presented Bryant with a \$60,000 check to support the work of the Verizon-Bryant College Telecommunications Center on campus. Pictured (l-r) are Lillian McGee, senior specialist, public relations, Verizon; Anastasia Kaufman, director, Verizon-Bryant College Telecommunications Center; James Segovis, director, The John H. Chafee Center for International Business, Bryant College; Ronald K. Machtley, president, Bryant College; John I. Kent, vice president of government affairs, Verizon; and V. K. Unni, vice president for academic affairs, Bryant College.

The Verizon-Bryant College Telecommunications Center is a nonprofit, academic-business partnership funded by Verizon and in-kind by Bryant College. The center is distinctive in that it provides a community outreach component for both Verizon and the college by using talented Bryant students to teach individuals, nonprofits, and businesses. The center, which employs



12 Bryant students on a part-time basis, is working with 12 nonprofit organizations in 2003 and, to date, 46 small businesses. This represents a 400 percent increase in clients over 2002.

BRYANT COLLEGE

HOMECOMING & REUNION

The Character of Success



SAVE THE DATE / October 4, 2003

Make plans for Bryant's Homecoming/Reunion 2003. Saturday, October 4, 2003, the Bryant Bulldogs go head-to-head with the Bentley Falcons.

There will be food, fun, and plenty of activities for all ages – a terrific celebration for the entire family. Visit www.bryant.edu/homecoming for the full schedule of events.